

READING COMPREHENSION

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Topic: Travel | Skills: Reading, Vocabulary, Speaking

Read the text carefully. Then answer the questions on Page 2.

The Wrong Bag

Last Friday, Daniel took the bus home after his English class. He was tired, so he put his blue bag on the seat next to him. An older man sat on the other side of the bus. He had a blue bag too.

When Daniel got home, he opened his bag. There were no English books inside. Instead, he found a pair of shoes and a red **scarf**. He looked in a small **pocket** and found a card with a name and a phone number.

Daniel called the number. The man answered and laughed. He had Daniel's books, but he could not find his shoes. They decided to meet outside the bus station at six o'clock.

Daniel gave the man his bag and got his own bag back. They checked the bags before leaving. That evening, Daniel put a yellow **ribbon** on his bag. Now it was easy to **recognise**.

Key vocabulary

scarf - a long piece of cloth you wear around your neck

pocket - a small part of a bag or clothes where you keep things

ribbon - a long, thin piece of cloth used to tie or decorate things

recognise - know something because you have seen it before

COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

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Answer in complete sentences. Use the text to help you.

1. Where was Daniel coming from?

2. Where did Daniel put his bag on the bus?

3. What did Daniel find instead of his books?

4. How did Daniel find the man's phone number?

5. Where did Daniel and the man meet?

6. Why did Daniel put a yellow ribbon on his bag?

Discuss with a partner

- Have you ever lost a bag or a book?
- How can you make your bag easy to recognise?

ANSWER KEY

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Suggested full-sentence answers. Accept equivalent answers with the same meaning.

1. Where was Daniel coming from?

Daniel was coming from his English class.

2. Where did Daniel put his bag on the bus?

Daniel put his bag on the seat next to him.

3. What did Daniel find instead of his books?

Daniel found a pair of shoes and a red scarf instead of his books.

4. How did Daniel find the man's phone number?

Daniel found the man's phone number on a card in a small pocket.

5. Where did Daniel and the man meet?

They met outside the bus station.

6. Why did Daniel put a yellow ribbon on his bag?

Daniel put a yellow ribbon on his bag to make it easy to recognise.

Teaching notes

Read once for the main idea, then reread for evidence. Compare answers before discussing the two open questions.

Language and reading focus: Past simple; sequence and purpose: when, instead, to.

Text: Original fiction. Discussion questions have no fixed answers.